

**US Environmental Protection Agency
EPA Science Advisory Board
Science and Technology Review Panel (STRP)**

**Teleconference Closure Meeting on the
Science and Technology Budget Review**

**12:00 pm - 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
March 21, 2003**

Meeting Location: Room 6013 USEPA Ariel Rios Federal Building,
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, DC 20004

Friday, March 21, 2003

12:00 pm	<u>Convene the Teleconference Call</u>	Mr. Thomas Miller, Designated Federal Officer
12:10	<u>Welcome</u>	Dr. Genevieve Matanoski, Chair
12:20 pm	<u>Discussion and Agreement on the Draft Panel Report</u>	The Panel

a. General Issues

b. Charge Question 1: Does the budget request reflect priorities identified in the EPA and ORD Strategic Plans?

i. Addition of a budget synopsis to support the “level-budget” concern?

ii. Resolve points to make on STAR base/fellowships

iii. Agree on the edits in general

iv. Points to highlight in letter, Exec Summ, testimony

c. Charge Question 2: Does the budget request reflect coordination between ORD and the Program Offices, including identification of the science needed to support major upcoming rules and decisions?

i. Decide if add an ORD planning/logic figure here

ii. Delete Fig. 1?

iii. Agree on the edits in general

iv. Points to highlight in letter, Exec Summ, testimony

d. Charge Question 3: Does the President's Budget request provide adequate balance and attention to the core and problem driven research needed to provide satisfactory knowledge for current and future decisions EPA will be required to make?

- i. Agree on the edits in general
- ii. Points to highlight in letter, Exec Summ, testimony

e. Charge Question 4: Is the EPA research and development program addressing the important issues needed to meet EPA's strategic objectives and protect human health and the environment in the US and globally? What important issues are not receiving adequate attention at the requested level of resources provided for the R&D program and the S&T budget?

- i. Reconcile inconsistency noted by Dr. Watson.
- ii. Resolve childhood health investment issue of Dr. Lambert
- iii. Agree on the edits in general
- iv. Points to highlight in letter, Exec Summ, testimony

f. Charge Question 5: How can EPA better use measures of performance that focus on environmental outcomes to identify the impact of its research and development program and the funds that Congress provides for that program?

- i. Add point suggested by Dr. Bull?
- ii. Agree on the edits in general
- iii. Points to highlight in letter, Exec Summ, testimony

2:30 pm

Next Steps

Dr. Genevieve Matanoski,
Chair

3:00 pm

Adjourn (time approximate)